

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 8 to read as follows.

1-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing an ink-jet recording head, comprising the steps of:

preparing a base plate having an ink ejection pressure generating element and a liquid path pattern, which is removable, located on a part of the base plate that includes the ink ejection ~~pressure-generating~~ pressure generating element;

applying a first active energy setting material on the base plate and the liquid path pattern;

applying an ink-repellent second active energy setting material, which is dry, on the first active energy setting material before exposing the first active energy setting material;

forming an image pattern of an ejection port for ejecting ink, which image pattern is the same in both the first active energy setting material and the ink-repellent second active energy setting material, by exposing both the first active energy setting material and the ink-repellent second active energy setting material in a process by applying light to both the first active energy setting material and the ink-repellent second active energy setting material simultaneously through a mask corresponding to [[an]] the ejection port for ejecting ink; and

developing the image pattern formed in the preceding step in the first active energy setting material and the ink-repellent second active energy setting material so as to form the ejection port above the ink ejection pressure generating element.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing the ink-jet recording head according to claim 8, wherein said step of applying the ink-repellent second active energy setting material on the first active energy setting material is performed by a method of spraying fine particles of the second material.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing the ink-jet recording head according to claim 8, wherein said step of applying the ink-repellent second active energy setting material on the first active energy setting material is performed by a flexographic printing method.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing the ink-jet recording head according to claim 8, wherein said step of applying the ink-repellent second active energy setting material on the first active energy setting material is performed by a method of transforming the second active energy setting material into a dry film and applying the film on the base plate.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing the ink-jet recording head according to claim 8, wherein the first active energy setting material is an epoxy resin cured by cationic polymerization.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing the ink-jet recording head according to claim 8, wherein the ink-repellent second active energy setting material is an epoxy resin cured by cationic polymerization.